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DEAR SIR: The circumstances which this letter will explain, will excuse me, I hope, for intruding myself upon your at-Among the numerous charges which

have been put into circulation against you by the presses and partizons of Mr. Van Buren, the two most relied upon and deemed most potent in the South are-that you are a Federalist and Abolitionists. Satisfied, from the evidence before them and the whole country, that these charges are equally unsustained by truth, your friends have meet, denied, and as they believe, refuted them. As the prospect of your election increases, however and the heart of the patriot revives with the hope of the success of one, from whom he expects a wise, economical, and Republican Administration, the malignity of your ene-mies seems to increase, and the spoilsmen become more reckless and desperate in their efforts to retain the power by which they make their spoil-Of this, the conclusive evidence will be found in the Richmond Enquirer of the 10th instant, in a production purporting to be an address from the Van Buren Central Committee here. In that address, it is round-It asserted that you are a Federalist and an Abolitionist, and that your friends in the South support you, knowing that you are so. This statement is made here with a knowledge of the views entertained by the Whigs of Virginia, as expressed in the address to the people of the State, published by their Convention, which was held in this city in the month of February last, of which I send you a copy by the mail of this day, I regard the charge, therefore, as an impudent falsehood aas it certainly is against the Whigs of Virginia, at whom it is especially levelled; and if made by an anonymous scribier in a newspaper, might be passed by with contempt. But as the charge is now put forth in an imposing form, and the subject of Abolition is one of absorbing interest and paramount importance-and as I could not, and I am sure the Whigs of Virginia, and the South generally, would not vote for any Abolitionist living to be President of the United States; (scarcely sooner than they would for a Florida Indian.) and as I have been placed before the People of this State for the office of Elector upon the Whig Ticket, I have thought it due to you, to the Whig cause, and to myself, to ask you to furnish. under your own hand, your denial of the charge, in a letter to me, which I may

I beg leave to say, that the denial which I expect will, in my opinion, advance your cause, with all good and reflecting men through the land; but whether it will advance or injure it, is equally due to yourself and to us, that you should furnish it, as I am satisfied that you would be as unwilling to advance that cause by any fraud, as we should be to be made the instruments, apparently, or dopes of it .-Be pleased, therefore, to say to me, whether you still entertained the sentiments upon the subject of Abolition expressed in your speech at Vincennes in 1835; whether vou ever were a member of an Abolition Society in Virginia, and whether you have designated the Richmond Society as an Abolition Society, and what was your political connection, if any, with the old Federal party.

With great respect. 1 am, sir your friend, &c. JAMES LYONS. To Gen. W. H. HARRISON, Cincinnati, Ohio.

GENERAL HARRISON'S REPLY. NORTH BEND, June 1st 1840.

My Dear Sir-When I received your letter of the 14th April, I was very unwell with a violent cold in the head, which terminated in intermittent neuralgia, or sun pain, as it is commonly called, which was, so much increased by writing, that I was obliged for some time to do very little in that way. When I recovered, my un-answered letters had increased to so fear-anecdotes to shew his devotion to the ful a mass that I have not yet been able to cause, and the effect which his pleasan-

getting rid of a large portion of them by

for treating you with apparent neglect as well from your high standing in society, as from the regard I feel for you, in consequence of the long and intimate friendmyself to answer the political part of your that my personal friends and connexious in my native State, could think that I was less of a gentleman or an honest man, than those ordent politicians farther South. Stanly, Alford, Legare, Dowson, King, others, to be quoted by my friends, to show my opinions on the subject of abolitionism, if I did not hold those opinions at with scorn and contempt-the charge of my being an abolitionist, and truly assert, that I have done and suffered more, to Southern Rights, than any other person north of Mason and Dixon's line. I have had indeed, a great number of applications from individuals. (nine-tenths at least, my opponents.) requiring me to reiterate what I have said or written upon the subject of the United States Banks. Abolitionism, &c. I have declined to answer them, of late, at all; amongst other reasons. because it was physically impossible that I should do it; and, as they all require my opinions in manuscript, particularly addressed to the writers, they would not be satisfied with my writing one letter and sending a printed copy to each. I WAS DETERMINED HOWEVER TO A VAIL MYSELF OF THE FIRST FAVORABLE OPPORTUNITY, AND REFERRNIG TO THE LETTERS AND SPEECHES I HAD MADE ON THE SUBJECTS I HAVE MEN TIONED, TO ENDORSE THEM ALL. This I have recently done, in a letter to a bers of the Legislature of New York .-You will probably see it published by the time this reaches you

In relation to the discussion between Mr. Randolph, and myself, in the Senate, of which a statement is annexed to the address, what better evidence could be given that there is no possibility of satisfying my political enemies by any thing that I could write, than the garbled account which they have given of that discussion ? If the charge made upon me by Mr. Randolph is authentic, taken from a newspaper report, surely, my answer to him should be considered so also. It is worthy of remark too, Mr. Raudolph made no reply to my answer to his attack, and that he was not a man to leave a matter in that situation if he could avoid it .- The truth is, that I believe he really regretted is attack upon me. He repeatedly told ton Pleasants was a me so, and frequently solicited me to hury the hatcher at a friendly dinner, with him, which I agreed to do. At the dinner were Mr. Calhoun, Mr. Hayne and Gen. Hamilton and many others, all but myself. of the then Jackson party. Our friendly intercourse was never afterwards interrupted. In reply to your inquiry, I will state to you the circumstances under which I received 'wo appointments from Mr. John Adams. In the year 1796, Gen. Wayne, left the_army on a visit to Philadelphia. I had been recently married and tendered to him my resignation as his aid-de-camp. but he declined receiving it; saying he could very well dispense with my services in his journey. It was during this trip that he obtained the promise of General Washington to give me a civil appointment, as I expressed my determination to leave the Army. This promise, the President repeated to my brother, Carter B. Harrison, then in Congress, with some ve v kind remarks upon my conduct in the Army. When General Washington left the Presidency, I have reason to believe. that he obtained a promise from Mr. Adams to fulfil his intentions. When the office of the Secretary of the North Western Territory became vacant, Mr. Adams appointed me, although I was opposed by Col Pickering the Secretary of State. In 1799, I was selected by the Republican party of the Territorial Legislature to be their candidate for the appointment of delegate to Congress. Between Mr Arthur St. Clair, Jr. (the son of Gov. St. Clair,) the Federal Candidate and myself, the votes was divided precisely as the two parties stood in the Legislature, with the exception of one Republican who was induced by his regard for the Governor to me. Before I lest Ciucinnati, the Republican members made me promise not to suffer my known opposition to the measures of the Administration to interfere with the attainment of the great object for which I was sent. Upon my ar-

Mr. Adams in the most flattering manner.

in speaking of my father's services in the

although I have adopted the method of ing state of their affairs often produced.

committing them to the flames instead of on politics, farther than to explain to him letter contained an injunction not to allow the committee, such are the constant in- my views in relation to the change in the it to be published in the newspapers; that terruptions to which I am subjected by a system of selling Public Lands, which i in consequence of this injunction he anconstant stream of visitors, that I am able was glad to find he approved. As soon nexed a similar one to his letter; but that to make very little progress in lessening my as the law was passed for the division of he had a copy which would be submitted formed that it was the intention of Mr. | had a desire to see it-Adams to nominate me to the Government of Indiana. I besitated not a moment to declare that I would not accept it. although very much pressed to do so by several leading members of Congress. I was not long in discovering the motiveto say, that I could never have brought of those gentlemen. There had been amme the evidence of that fact which was some meetings of the people of the Terriletter at all. I am convinced that upon tory, in which resolutions had been adopted reflection yourself will think that it was recommending me to the President for totally unnecessary, for I cannot suppose the Government of the Territory, (North Western) instead of Gov. St. Clair.

Those resolutions, with correspondent ddresses, had been forwarded to the President and the Senate. Now it so happened that two distinguished Sena tors had fixed their eyes upon the same office. One of them, who had been most urgent for me to go to Indiana, had large pos-sessions in the North Western Territory, which was probably one reason for his wish this time-they have therefore, treated ing to go there. But the main object was to secure the Territory to the Federal party. when it should become a State, which it was known would soon be the ease. To carry out this plan, it was necessary to get me out of the way. The appointment was pressed upon me, not withstanding my refusal to take it. At length, my relations and friends, the Messrs, Nicholas, Wilson Cary of the Senate, and John of the House, prevailed on me to accept it. Tuey pointed out the advantages to myself,a id assured me that therelwas no doubt of Mr. Jefferson's electionin the ensuing November election, and that I would be continued Governor of Indiana, and some Republican succeed Governor St. Clair in the North Western Territory.

I therefore accepted the appointment with a determination, as Indiana had no voice in the choice of the President, that would take no part in the contest.

I have thus given you a full account of ny connexion with the Presidency of Mr. Adams. I will conclude by saying, that Mr. Jefferson lost no time, after his inaucycling to assure me of his favor and his evidence that I retained there is outliered of his Administration.

In answer to the enquiry why I used the word "Abolition" in designating a society of which I was a member in Richmond, in the year 1791, instead of the word "Humane," which is known to be the one by which the Society was really distinguished?-All that I can say upon the subject is, that if I did really term it an Abolition society, a fact which I can still hardly believe, (for I have not been able to see the paper containing my address to the people of the District in 1822.) it must have been from forgetfulness, which might easily happen after a lapse of 31 years. At any rate, the word Abolition was not understood to mean in 1822, what it now means. There can be no in his publication in the Richmond Whig. he calls the "Humane Society of Richmond," [and by this title Judge Gatch, who gave me the certificate in 1822, also designated it. I was the same of which I was a member. Mr. Pleasants was a member in 1797, I in 1791-Mr. Robert Pleasants was the Psesident at the former period, as he was when I was admitted.

I do not wish what I have said above to be published, but I have no objection that the facts should be stated, and reference made to me as having furnished them.

I have writ on to a friend in Congress, Mr. Jos. Wimams of Tennessee, showing the connection which existed between the Hamilton county corresponding Committee and myself, and authorized him to make it public.

I was about to make some further observations when I was interrupted by a party of gentlemen from Louisville, and must conclude by assuring you that I am.

very truly, yours, W. H. HARRISON.

GEN. HARRISON'S OPINIONS ON A VITAL SUBJECT.

TO OUR CONSTITUENTS. Knowing the interest you feel in the pinions of the candidate for the Presidency, on the subject of abolition, and having seen a letter of Gen. Harrison's recently published in the Richmond Whig, tending to show that he is not an abolitionist, we feel it our duty to communicate to you certain evidence, which we have ourselves published. seen, of a contrary tendency It was recently stated by one of the speakers at an abolition convention in Boston, that the vote for his son. The vote was 11 to 10, Hou. W. B. Calhoun, a whig member of public eye," but does not he state in his not one of the nine Federalists voting for the House of Representatives, from Massachusetts, had written home letters, making statements on the authority of Gen. Harrison himself, which went to identify him with the abolitionists; that the letters get votes, without regard to frankness or they dare attempt to gag us, they rive contained an injunction not to let them get into the newspapers, but that copies of them had been multiplied, and secretly rival in Philadelphia 1 was received by of convincing them that the General was At his dinner parties, where I was often a guest, he seemed to take great pleasure

oue of them. ult. Mr. Calhoun made a publication adget through it, even with the assistance of tries produced in cheering them in the in question; that this letter was based up-

my conscience keeping committee. And | gloom which the occasionally unpromis- on a letter from Gen. Harrison himself, which had that morning been put into his | I had no conversation with Mr. Adams | hands for perusal; that Gen. Harrison's the North-Western Territory, I was in- to the inspection of any gentleman who

that General Harrison, while withholding his opinions from those who asked them for the use of the public, had himself put on foot a scheme to satisfy the abolitionists, we thought it incumbent on us to exstated to be accessible for inspection. We found it of such an extraordinary character as to require of us to lay it before you in the most authentic shape within our power. In consequence of Gen. Harrisou's injunction, Mr. Calhoun refuses to let even his own letter he published, or to give a copy thereof, so that we are obliged to rely on memory in submitting to you is contents.

Having each of us carefully perused it, and compared our recollections, we are sure that the following contains the substance, and does not vary materially from the form and language of that letter, viz:

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4, 1840. Sins: I observed in the doings of the Anti-Slavery convention at Springfield, a resolution denouncing Gen. Harrison. I think this premature, to say the least of it. I have seen a letter from the General, in which he pronounces the story circulating in the press or West, (not certain which) that he, while Governor of Indiana for ten years, done every thing in his power to spread slavery, a foul slander, and speaks of it with great indignation; and says that it would be impossible for him to deny any thing privately or publicly, for the reason, he says, that while only 18 years of age, in Virginia, he joined an Abolition Society, and, with the other meinbers, of the same, pledged himself to do every thing in his power to effect the maneipation of slaves; that he was to inherit a large property in slaves, and subsequently not only emancipated his own, but purchased others for the purpose of mancipating them. This is what the General himself says. I write you this for such use as you may think proper, except putting it in the newspapers. Hox. Jupez Mornis.

The letter of Gen. Harrison herein alluded to, is understood to have been address ed to the Hon. George Evans, a Whig member of the House from the State of

The letter of the Oswego Union Association, asking Gep. Harrison's opinions on the subject of Abolition, was dated Jan. 31, 1840, and must have been received about the time his letter to Mr. Evans was written, inasmuch as that letter was shown to Mr. Calhoun on the 4th of Feb. ruary. The Oswego letter was answered by the Committee, Gwynne, Wright and Spencer, on the 29th of February, to whom the General admits in his letter to the Hon. Joseph L. Williams, an extract doubt that the society of which Mr. Tal- of which was published in the National Intelligencer of the 11th ult., he turned over many letters for reply. How then, stand the facts?

In January last, Gen. Harrison himself writes a letter to Mr. Evans, containing an injunction, that it should not be allowed to get into the newspapers, the substance of which was secretly used to satisfy the Abolitionists that he was one of them, upon his own authority.

In February last, his committee, in renly to the Oswero letter said: "That the policy is, that the General make no further declaration of his principles for the public eye, whilst occupying his present posi-

On the 10th of April last, the General declared to Capt. Chambers, and C. Van Burkirk, Esq. who were bearers of a letter to him from Louisville, Ky., asking his opinions on the subject of Abolition, "that nothing could induce him to answer such interrogatories, coming either from friends They believe that they can effect more

Yet, in January last, Gen. Harrison did not he strate to write to Mr Evans, giving such a color to his course and opinions on the subject of slavery and Abolition, as to enable his friends at the North to electioneer for him as an Abolitionist; with a strict injunction however, that this letter should not be allowed to get into the newspapers.

And now, we have got his letter of June 1st to Mr. Lyon, of Virginia, so worded, as to enable his friends of the lition) party, or withholding our votes, is South to electioneer for him, as opposed to Abolition; in which letter, he says, I Buren may succeed. I would as lief vote do not wish what I have said above, to be

We should not consider the interests of the American people safe in the hands of a man who refuses his principles "for the aid to their cause. Here is the question, private letters, written with express inunctions that they shall not be seen by the public, to give such coloring to those

We should deem the interests of our constituents peculiarly unsafe in the hands | will then have free course in Congressshown to the abolitionists, for the purpose of any man, whether really abolitionist or agitation is thus facilitated—our people not, who can, for a moment, reconcile it encouraged-and our cause advanced. to himself, privately to court those dan-In the National Intelligencer of the 15th gerous fanatics with a view to their political support; thereby giving them confimitting that he had, on the 4th February dence and strength in their mad warfare to look narrowly at the subject, and decide ing them, has been invented in England. last, written home one letter on the topic upon our peace, our property, and our how far they shall be successful in their and the process has been adopted by the

This is a matter which admits of no intrigue, altering, or compromise.

For the secret tampering with abolitionism, now disclosed, General Harrison should, in our opinion, be treated as an abolitionist, by every friend of the South and of the Union.

The danger in which we consider your dearest interests placed by this secret management and double dealing, is our chief Startled at this development of the fact, inducement to make you this communi-

JOHN JAMESON, LYNN BOYD, LEWIS STEENROD, HOPKINS L. TURNEY, J. A. BYNUM.

From the Strannah Georgian. VIRGINIA DEMOCRACY.

MR. JAMES LYONS, to whom the Federal Candidate condescended to write, in answer to "the political part of the letter addressed by this Virginia Whig Elector. to the Old General, is handled by A DEMO-CRAT, in the Richmond Enquirer, without gloves.

The "Demosthenes" of North Bend responded to our (would be) Elector, Lyon's, ic consequence of the long and intimate friendship and connexion subsisting beween our families."

This "connexion," coupled with the 'high standing in society" of Mr. Elector Lyons, the General avows as the only 'reasons" which induced him to answer the "political part of" the "letter at ail."

Had we room at present, we would publis this letter of Gen. HARRISON to Mr. James Lyons, although he remarks: "I do not wish what I have said above, to be published, but I have no objection that he facts should be stated, and reference made to me as having furnished them."

He continues: "I have written to a

friend in Congress, Mr. Joseph Williams, of Tennessee, showing the connexion which existed between the Hamilton county Corresponding Committee and myself, and authorized him to make it public,"

General Harrison in that letter admits, that "Major Gwynne, the chairman of said committee, was unauthorized, in cases where further opinions were asked for, to state [my] his determination to gire no other pledges of what [1] he would or would not do, if [1] he should be elected to the Presidency."

When questioned in direct terms as a abolition petitions, he is-Mum.

If asked, if he will vero a bill for the abolition of slavery in the District, he is Mum. Why? These questions are too lefinite, too much to the point.

He therefore declares that he will make

no other pledges.'
But stop. Mr. Lyons, his political friend, puts a question to him in guarded language. He asks-"Be pleased to say to me, whether you still entertain the s n timents upon the subject of abolition expressed in your speech at Vincennes, in 1815, and what was your political con-nexion, if any, with the old Federal

He replies to Mr. Lyons, because of his "high standing in Society," but does not wish his reply to be published.

We agree with the Enquirer that this letter is "mere smoke," that "there is no thing new in the revelations" of the 'Hero.'
"It is," says the Editor, "the old Via-

cennes speech vamped up. Does he disclaim the plan of approprating the surplus revenue to emancipation ? No. Does he give any pledge that he will veto a hill? No. And what is more, he dare not, for fear of offending the Abolitionists."

From the Globe.

THE POLICY

ON WHICH THE ABOLITION LEADERS PRE-FER HARRISON TO BIRNEY, REVEALED. We cut the following from the Ken tucky Gazette:

"There is one thing certain, the Abolitionists will not run a candidate for the Presidency. They have nominated one, but they have not made even an effort to get up an electoral ticket in a single state. for their cause by supporting Gen. Harrison than by running a candidate of their own, as they regard the President as irrevocably pledged against their schemes. and believe that, if the Whigs succeed. they can coerce them into measures more favorable than those now adopted towards

"J. Blanchard, an Aolition lecturer, in Ohio, gives his views quite fully upon this subject, in the Philanthropist of the 16th ult. He says: "Voting for a third (Aboonly to draw off Whig voters, that Van for the present Administration directly, as indirectly." In another part of the same letter he answers an objection, and shows the manner in which they expect to derive and his answer to it: 'But if the Whigs succeed, will they do us more good than the present Administration ! I answer: 1 do not know that they will do us more their party into splinters. The Whigs of New York, Massachusetts, and Vermont,

"These are the views upon which this detestable faction are acting; these are their hopes; and it becomes slave holders anticipations."

The Philanthropist, it will be remembered, is the Abolition print in Cincinnati, which has labored to unite its party in support of Harrison. The publication, by his print, of the grounds on which the artful Abolition missionary, Blanchard, would support Harrison, lays open the settled scheme adopted to draw Federalism universally into the designs of the Abolitionists. If their votes elect the President for Federalism, they will hold him, and the party indebted to them, bound to carry out their views; and they must acquiesce; or, as Blanchard says, "they will rivo their party into splinters;" that is, the Abolitionists will abandon them, and they will fall from power. To avoid this, they would readily consent, as Blanchard says, to give his sect "a free course in Congress;" and he concludes justly, "agitation is thus facilitated, our people encouraged, and our cause advanced."

Now, the Southern people must know that, even if Harrison is clieating the Abolitionists as to his real feelings and falso pretensions, still the result expected by Blanchard from his election by Abolition votes must be realized. Having the ring in the nose of Harrison and his party, they will be led by Adams, Stevens, Slade, Gates, Evans, and the rest, to yield "the free course in Congress," by which the Abolitionists expect to work out their objects. Are the people of the South ready to vote for the candidate who is to be in the power of their enemies ? Are they willing to promote the objects distinctly avowed by the Abolition emissaries engaged in the active support of Harrison?

The Abolitionists vs. Van Buren. - The Federal Whigs and Abolitionists certainly agree in one thing—that is, in their hatred of Mr. Vam Buren .- The New- England Abolition Convention that met in Boston on the 26th May, unanimously adopted the following Resolution:

"Resolved, That by giving his casting vote, as President of the Senate of the United States, for establishing a censorship over the press and by pledging himself before the election, that the must go into the Presidential Chair the inflexible and nucompromising opponent of any attemp on the part of Congress to abolish slavery in the District of Columbia, against the wishes of the slaveholding States," Martin Van Baren has been made the tool Democracy."

This don't look much like these worthies intended to vote for Van Buren does it? The fact is, he will not get an Abolition vote in the United States. They will all go for the man who joined the Abolition Society at the age of 18 years, and says he still holds to the same principles that he did then:—the man who always held it an object near his heart to appropriate the surplus revenue to emancipating the slaves, or in other words would tax a man to raise money to buy his propertytax the poor man, to pay for the property of the rich .- Western Carolinian.

DIALOGUE. Farmer-Cuff, where is the hoe? Cuff-Wid de harrer. Farmer-W bere's the harrow? Cuff-Wid de hoe. Farmer--Well, where are both the hoe

and harrow? Cuff-Why, dey bo'f togedder. Wat de use of hoddering poor nigga! THE SAME IMITATED.

Democrat-What are Gen. Harrison's pinions in regard to a National Bank? Whig-Just what they were in 1836. Democrat-What were they in 1836? Whig-Just what they are now. Old Tip's immovable-firm as a log cabin. Hurrah for "hard cider and coon skins!"

Don't ask any more foolish questions.

Pay your Mechanics .- There is a strange and unreasonable propensity, prevalent among all classes, to defer payment .-The Shoemaker, Blacksmith, Printer, Tailor and some others, they seem to think by their practice, can be put off with impunity, until every other demand against them is liquidated. And when payment is offered them, it is not enough o replenish the stock, accessary to make the articles they purchased. How is it possible that mechanics, who are as necessary to the wealth of the country, as our daily food is to the strength of the body, can thrive, and rise in the sale of respectability and influence, unless they receive, (in common at least, with other classes of men) their dues. A mechanic cannot take one step in business life. without increasing expense; his stock, his tools, his provisions, his rents, his apparel, each and all costs him cash; and he depends entirely upon his customers for the means of defraying these expenses, and if his customers are not prompt to pay, which in nine cases out of ten, they can do without any inconvenience; they are obliged to get into debt, and are harrassed with duns and writs; and a mechanic might about as well have a mill stone tied to his principles as may be hest calculated to good, but we can do them more harm. It neck as far as practicable usefulness either to himself or his family is concerned, as to be obliged to drag out his existence, agains the irresistible tide of an accumulating debt. We say, then, pay your mechanic, pay him faithfully, pay him promptly -Maine Cultivator.

> Musket Balls .- A new mode of forming musket balls by machinery, instead of cast-Board of Ordnance at Woolwhich.